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QUESTION 1

Given the following SAS statement: %let idcode = Prod567;

Which one of the following statements stores the value 567 in the macro variable CODENUM?

- A. %let codenum = substr(andidcode,length(andidcode)-2);
- B. %let codenum = substr(andidcode,length(andidcode)-3);
- C. %let codenum = %substr(andidcode,%length(andidcode)-2);
- D. %let codenum = %substr(andidcode,%length(andidcode)-3);

Correct Answer: C

QUESTION 2

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
data one;  
  
do i = 1 to 10;  
  
ptobs = ceil(ranuni(0) * totobs);  
  
set temp point = ptobs  
  
nobs = totobs;  
  
output;  
  
end;  
  
stop;  
  
run;
```

The SAS data set TEMP contains 2,500,000 observations. Which one of the following represents the possible values for PTOBS?

- A. any integer between 1 and 10
- B. any real number between 0 and 1
- C. any integer between 1 and 2,500,000
- D. any real number between 1 and 2,500,000

Correct Answer: C

QUESTION 3

Which one of the following SAS procedures changes a permanent format of a variable stored in a SAS data set?

- A. MODIFY
- B. FORMAT
- C. CONTENTS
- D. DATASETS

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 4

Given the following SAS data sets ONE and TWO:

ONE TWO

OBS COMMON X OBS COMMON Y

----- 1 A 10 1 A 1

2 A 13 2 A 3

3 A 14 3 B 4

4 B 9 4 B 2

5 C 8 5 C 5

6 C 14

The following SAS DATA step is submitted:

data combine;

merge one two;

by common;

run;

Which one of the following represents the data values stored in data set COMBINE?

- A. OBS COMMON X Y

1 A 10 1

2 A 13 3

3 A 14 3

4 B 9 4

5 B 9 2

6 C 8 5

7 C 14 5

B. OBS COMMON X Y

1 A 10 1

2 A 13 3

3 B 9 4

4 C 8 5

C. OBS COMMON X Y

1 A 10 1

2 A 13 3

3 B 14 4

4 B 9 2

5 C 8 5

D. OBS COMMON X Y

1 A 10 1

2 A 13 1

3 A 14 1

4 A 10 3

5 A 13 3

6 A 14 3

7 B 9 4

8 B 9 2

9 C 8 5

10 C 14 5

Correct Answer: A

QUESTION 5

Assume today is Tuesday, July 23, 2002. Which one of the following statements submitted at the beginning of a SAS session assigns the value Tuesday, July 23, 2002 to the macro variable START?

- A. %let start = today(),weekdate.;
- B. %let start = today(),format=weekdate.;
- C. %let start = %sysfunc(today(),weekdate.);
- D. %let start = %sysfunc(%today(),weekdate.);

Correct Answer: C

QUESTION 6

Which one of the following is the purpose of the IDXNAME= data set option?

- A. It instructs SAS to name and store a specific index.
- B. It instructs SAS to store an index in a particular location.
- C. It instructs SAS to use a specific index for WHERE processing.
- D. It instructs SAS to use any available index for WHERE processing.

Correct Answer: C

QUESTION 7

Which one of the following automatic SAS macro variables contains the return code from a previously executed step?

- A. andRC
- B. andERR
- C. andSYSRC
- D. andSYSERR

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 8

Given the following SAS data set ONE:

ONE

CATEGORY AGE SALARY BONUS

----- M 28 200 20

M 25 100 10

M 28 300 10

M 33 300 30

F 18 100 50

F 25 200 10

F 35 50

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
proc sql;
```

```
select distinct category,
```

```
sum(sum(salary,bonus)) as EARNINGS
```

```
from one
```

```
where age
```

```
group by category
```

```
having calculated EARNINGS
```

```
quit;
```

Which one of the following reports will be generated?

A. CATEGORY EARNINGS

F 360

B. CATEGORY EARNINGS

M 640

F 360

C. CATEGORY EARNINGS F 150

F 210

D. CATEGORY EARNINGS M 220 M 110 M 310 F 150 F 210

Correct Answer: A

QUESTION 9

Which one of the following SAS SORT procedure options eliminates identical consecutive observations?

- A. NODUP
- B. UNIQUE
- C. DISTINCT
- D. NODUPKEY

Correct Answer: A

QUESTION 10

The following SAS code is submitted:

```
%macro houses(dsn = houses,sub = RANCH);  
  
data anddsn;  
  
set sasuser.houses;  
  
if style = "andsub";  
  
run;  
  
%mend;  
  
%houses(sub = SPLIT)  
  
%houses(dsn = ranch)  
  
%houses(sub = TWOSTORY)
```

Which one of the following is the value of the automatic macro variable SYSLAST?

- A. work.ranch
- B. work.houses
- C. WORK.RANCH
- D. WORK.HOUSES

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 11

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
data two;  
y = \"2\";  
run;  
  
%let x = 10;  
  
%let var = y;  
  
data one;  
set two (keep = andvar);  
  
z = andvar * andx;  
  
run;
```

Which one of the following is the value of the variable Z when the program finishes execution?

- A. _ERROR_
- B. 20 (as a numeric)
- C. 20 (as a character)
- D. . (missing numeric)

Correct Answer: B

QUESTION 12

Given the following SAS data set ONE:

ONE REP COST

SMITH 200

SMITH 400

JONES 100

SMITH 600

JONES 100

JONES 200

JONES 400

SMITH 800

JONES 100

JONES 300

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
proc sql;
```

```
select rep, avg(cost) as AVERAGE
```

```
from one
```

```
group by rep
```

```
having avg(cost) > (select avg(cost) from one);
```

```
quit;
```

Which one of the following reports is generated?

A. REP AVERAGE

JONES 200 B. REP AVERAGE

JONES 320

C. REP AVERAGE

SMITH 320

D. REP AVERAGE

SMITH 500

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 13

Given the following SAS data sets ONE and TWO:

ONE TWO

YEAR QTR BUDGET YEAR QTR SALES

----- 2001 3 500 2001 4 300

2001 4 400 2002 1 600

2002 1 700

The following SAS program is submitted:

```
proc sql;
```

select one.*, sales

from one, two

where one.year = two.year;

quit;

Which one of the following reports is generated?

A. YEAR QTR BUDGET SALES ----- 2001 4 400 300 2002 1 700 600

B. YEAR QTR BUDGET SALES ----- 2001 3 500 . 2001 4 400 300 2002 1 700 600

C. YEAR QTR BUDGET SALES ----- 2001 3 500 300 2001 4 400 300 2002 1 700 600

D. YEAR QTR BUDGET SALES ----- 2001 3 500 300 2001 4 400 300 2002 1 700 300 2001 3 500 600 2001 4 400 600 2002 1 700 600

Correct Answer: C

QUESTION 14

The following SAS program is submitted:

data temp;

array points{2,3}_temporary_;

run;

Which one of the following is the maximum number of elements that are stored?

A. 2

B. 3

C. 5

D. 6

Correct Answer: D

QUESTION 15

The following SAS program is submitted:

%let var = chicago, 1;

```
data a;
```

```
var = \"new york, 2\";
```

```
newvar = %scan(andvar,2,%str());
```

```
run;
```

Which one of the following explains why the program fails to execute?

- A. The %STR() is invalid syntax.
- B. The %SCAN function does not exist.
- C. The %SCAN function has too many arguments.
- D. The macro variable VAR does not get created properly.

Correct Answer: C

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